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The Chief, Medical Staff, has surveyed the field for procurement of medical personnel and points out the decreasing availability of doctors and medical technicians. Generally, doctors become available at the end of term in July of each year, but after the present July, Service needs and other needs will consume the available personnel. Medical technicians are primarily procured from former Navy Petty Officers, and these too are becoming harder to find. Meanwhile, covert plans are under consideration which will require a substantial number of both doctors and technicians. Chief, Medical Staff, recommends establishment of a pool to be kept at a level of [] doctors who would be employed as resident doctors by hospitals thereby gaining experience and training, and would be paid an additional sum by CIA in order to make them available when needed. Failure to abide by the agreement would leave them subject to Service call and then assignment to CIA. Also recommended is a pool for medical technicians to be trained for approximately three months in CIA training installations. This pool would be kept at a level of [] with a maximum of approximately [] by 1 July 1952.

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